

REMARKS

The Official Action of June 15, 2004, and the prior art cited and relied upon therein have been carefully studied. The claims in the application are now claims 13-19, and these claims define patentable subject matter warranting their allowance. Favorable reconsideration and such allowance are respectfully urged.

Claims 1-12 have been canceled in favor of new claims 13-19 which remain in the application for consideration.

In response to the Examiner's objection to the abstract, specification and claims, and rejection of claims 1-12 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, Applicant has:

- (1) Provided an abstract on a separate page;
- (2) Amended the specification so as to include required section headings, and
- (3) Canceled claims 1-12 in favor of new claims 13-19 which have been drafted to eliminate each of the problems identified by the Examiner. Applicant respectfully submits that these objections and the

rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph,
have now been overcome.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for her indication that claims 5-11 would be allowable subject to being rewritten in independent form, and to overcome her 35 U.S.C. §112 rejection. In response, in addition to overcoming her 35 U.S.C. §112 rejection, Applicant has combined the features of original claims 1-4 and allowable claim 5 in new independent claim 13. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that new independent claim 13 is now allowable along with new dependent claims 14-19, which correspond to original claims 6-11, and that this application is now in condition for allowance.

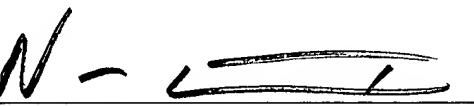
Acknowledgement by the PTO of the receipt of Applicants' papers filed under Section 119 is noted.

The prior art documents made of record and not relied upon have been noted along with the implication that such documents are deemed by the PTO to be insufficiently pertinent to warrant their applications against any of applicant's claims.

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Favorable reconsideration and allowance are
earnestly solicited.

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